

San Diego Mesa College to hold grand opening for new campus Quadrangle

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Mesa College on Thursday will hold the grand opening of its new campus Quadrangle, designed to serve as the physical "heart" of the college providing a main thoroughfare through campus. The project was funded by the San Diego Community College District's \$1.555 billion Propositions S and N construction bond program and is the final bond project for Mesa College. The ceremony is at 10 a.m.

"We envision this as the bustling center for the Mesa campus, with the focus on creating a



Mesa College Quadrangle aerial view

sense of belonging for all students and providing them easy access to adjacent campus resources, such as The Stand — our basic needs resource center — along with other vital student support centers," said Mesa College President Pamela T. Luster.

To make room for the Quad, the outdated "I" and "J" buildings were demolished, creating a wide clearing in the center of the campus. The design includes several strategically placed walkways to help students navigate the campus. It also has an outdoor stage area to hold campus events, such as the traditional Welcome Week, job fairs, financial aid fairs, and pep rallies.



Campus Quadrangle ground view

Western Rim Construction was the general

contractor for the project. Project manager was J.E. Moore Consulting. Architect: OJB Landscape Architecture. Project partners: Arias Mechanical Corp., Dynalectric Co., Merz Construction, Randall Lamb Associates.